

REMARKS

Claims 5-21 are pending in this application. Claims 2-4 have been cancelled. Claim 1 was previously cancelled. Claims 19-21 have been added.

Claims 5-18 have been allowed. Claims 2-4 have been objected to under 37 C.F.R. §1.75(c) as being in improper dependent form for failing to further limit the subject matter of a previous claim.

As indicated in the Office Action, claims 2-4 would be allowable if rewritten or amended to overcome the objection. Accordingly, claims 2-4 have been cancelled, and new claims 19-21, which contain the same subject matter as claims 2-4, have been added. Claims 19-21 refer to a preceding claim, namely claim 5, and further limit the subject matter of this claim. The cancellation of claims 2-4 and addition of new claims 19-21 has been done to place these claims in proper dependent form and not for reasons of patentability. Applicant submits that claims 19-21 are in proper dependent form.

The undersigned discussed the amendments described above with Examiner Sharon Howard on August 22, 2005. An agreement was reached. The Examiner indicated that the amendments described above would put the application in condition for allowance.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that the claims are now in condition for allowance and eventual issuance. Such action is respectfully requested. Should the Examiner have any further questions or comments which need be addressed in order to obtain allowance, please contact the undersigned attorney at the number listed below.

Acknowledgement of receipt is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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